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1. The Iraqi Government has recently issued two special publications, which were printed by the government press and classified as strictly confidential. The publications have had a limited distribution through Prime Minister Nuri Sa'id's aide and each recipient was required to sign for his copies.

2. The first, a pamphlet of twenty-two pages on the Syrian coup, gives the Iraqi version of meetings* held in Baghdad and Damascus between Iraqi and Syrian leaders and shows that the desire of both countries for a military-political-economic union was thwarted by 'Azzam Pasha, despite the promise of the Egyptian Prime Minister, Ibrahim 'Abd-al-Hadi Pasha, that 'Azzam would not be allowed to interfere.

2. The second, a pamphlet of forty-eight pages, deals with the Arab failure in Palestine. Wherever possible, the pamphlet contains documentary evidence, such as minutes of Iraqi Cabinet meetings and reports on Janil Madfai's mission to Cairo in January 1949, to prove Egypt's responsibility for the Arab failure in Palestine, which would have been averted by following Nuri Sa'id's advice.

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above-mentioned meetings took place between representatives of the
Za'in Government or the Qunwatli Government.

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